St Blaise Town Council Annual Report 2018/ 2019

Introduction

I would like to thank the Town Councillors for their work over the last twelve months. We welcomed two new Councillors this year, Amy Pearce in July and Tamsin Chapman in August, taking the vacant seat of retiring Councillors Stuart Wheeler and George Allen. I would also like to thank our Cornwall Councillors Pauline Giles and Jordan Rowse.

Our Community Warden Dave Pearce is a great asset to St Blazey, the town always looks clean and tidy due to his hard work. Dave looked after the planters and flower beds all last summer, which I know many of you enjoyed as the Town Council have received many compliments for them. I am looking forward to seeing this year's display.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our plant sponsors, Archie Taylor from the Bridal Sweet and Trevor Pogue, a resident from Station Road. I would also like to thank Archie Taylor for helping to keep Fore Street looking presentable.

Thanks must go to John Gronwalt for all the work he puts in making St Blazey a better place. He litter picks, locks and unlocks the Station Road public conveniences 365 days a year, and helps

Dave regularly. He also helps with the putting up and decoration of the two Town Christmas Trees.

Extra duties have been given to Dave Pearce, as we have had King Edward Gardens devolved to us and Cornwall Council have stopped maintaining Trail Blayser Park.

After King Edward Gardens became our responsibility a lot of work has been carried out to open the area up to allow in more light and I know a lot of people are enjoying the area more.

Trail Blayser Park needs a lot of work even although Cornwall Council were persuaded to bring the safety surfaces up to standard. The grass has been cut and the play equipment cleaned and we are in the process of purchasing some new items.

The public conveniences in Station Road have also been refurbished and now have new hygiene equipment, the flooring has been replaced and they have been decorated inside and out.

The Town council laid a poppy wreath at St Blazey Church on remembrance Sunday on behalf of the residents.

The Christmas trees at the two churches, either end of the town, which the Council provided looked great as ever, however we would appreciate more help in the future.

We had the Annual Carol Concert at St Blazey Church on Sunday 3rd December at 4.00 pm followed by Mulled Wine & Mince Pies. Thanks go to the Church for allowing us to do this. It was well attended and everybody enjoyed the performances by Mount Charles Band.

Ocean Housing have embarked on a scheme to regenerate Polgrean Place, this project will take 5 years and will improve the area greatly.

I am very disappointed that the police are not using the space in the community rooms that St Blaise Town Council have provided for them. We are informed that the police are now deployed from St Austell when necessary.

I was considering giving up my position as Mayor/Chairman of the Council this May after 18 years but remain a Councillor. However we have two projects which are due to come to fruition this coming year. The first being the extension at the Burrows and the second being the Neighbourhood Plan.

The Neighbourhood Plan continues to make progress and will be scrutinised before going to public consultation in the near future, so I would like to give special thanks to Councillor Jenny Moore for all the very hard work she has put in.

Another exciting scheme that has funding for our town is the StARR project. This will see flood amelioration work throughout St Blazey and the surrounding area. I am looking forward to seeing these improvements once the project begins.

This year's Big Lunch Fest will be held at Par Running Track on Sunday 9th June. I hope to see some of you then.

Lastly my thanks must go to our Town Clerk, Gaynor for all her work over the year. We strive to better.

Finance

Set out below is a summary of the Council's income and expenditure for the financial year 2018/19.

| Income | £ | Expenditure | £ |
|----------------|---------|-----------------------------|---------|
| Precept | 85,000 | General Admin | 44,870 |
| Alexander Hall | 9,226 | Warden Scheme | 13,257 |
| Vat refund | 4,158 | Community Assets | 63,752 |
| Other | 22,972 | Donations | 3,100 |
| | | Alexander Hall | 7,596 |
| | | Community Rooms | 3,343 |
| | | Neighbourhood Planning3,338 | |
| | | Events | 500 |
| | ======= | | ===== |
| | 121,356 | | 139,757 |

Attendance at Meetings

| | Full Council | Other |
|--------------------|--------------|-------|
| Cllr J Anderson | 12 | 58 |
| Cllr R Taylor | 10 | 25 |
| Cllr R Chamberlain | 9 | 3 |
| Cllr T Chapman | 3 | 1 |
| Cllr J Moore | 11 | 33 |
| Cllr T Nethercott | 11 | 47 |
| Cllr A Pearce | 7 | 1 |
| Cllr K Simms | 10 | 1 |
| Cllr J Taylor | 11 | 17 |

Councillors Responsibilities

June Anderson - Burrows Board of Directors

Carlyon Bay Development Representative

Cornwall Community Flood Forum Employment Appeals Panel

Friends of Coast Atlantic

Grow St Blazey

New Pavement Steering Group

Par Liaison Group

Par Skate park Steering Group

Planning Committee

PL24 Community Association

PL24 in Bloom

St Blazey Reclaimed

2nd Internal Verifier

Roy Taylor-

Burrows Board of Directors

Carlyon Bay Development Deputy Representative

Community Network Panel

Cornwall Community Flood Forum Doubletrees School of Governors(Deputy) Eden Community Geothermal Liaison Group

Employment Committee

Fourways Youth Club Management

Grow St Blazey Hands Together

New Pavement Steering Group

Par & St Blazey Community Flood Group

Emergency Planning Group

Planning Committee St Blazey Reclaimed

Ryan Chamberlain

Employment Appeals Panel

Par & St Blazey Community Flood Group

Emergency Planning Group PL24 Community Association

PL24 in Bloom

Tamsin Chapman

Employment Appeals Panel

Press Officer

Jenny Moore- Cornwall Community Flood Forum

Cornwall Association of Local Councils

Cornwall Planning Partnership

Employment Committee

Eden Liaison Grow St Blazey Hands Together

Historic Environment & Heritage Rep

Luxulyan Valley Partnership

Par and St Blazey Community Flood Group

Emergency Planning Group

Planning Committee

PL24 Community Association St Austell Bay Economic Forum

St Blazey Reclaimed

Tony Nethercott-

Burrows Board of Directors

Cornwall Association of Local Councils

Community Network Panel Employment Appeals Panel

Fourways Youth Club Management PL24 Community Association Par Skate park Steering Committee Par & St Blazey Community Flood Group

Emergency Planning Group New Pavement Steering Group

Par Liaison

Planning Committee

Amy Pearce

Employment Appeals Panel Par & St Blazey Flood Group Waste & Recycling Committee

Kelvin Simms -

Doubletrees School of Governors

Employment Appeals Panel

GDPR Committee

Internal Verifier
PL24 Community Association

PL24 in Bloom

Waste and Recycling Committee

Jenny Taylor-

Burrows Board of Directors Employment Committee

Footpath/Bridleway/ Cycle ways Fourways Youth Club Management

GDPR Committee

Local Transport Representative New Pavement Steering Group

POLICE CRIME FIGURES

Statistics for St Blazey & Tywardreath

| Crime | Total |
|---------------------------|-------|
| Anti-Social Behaviour | 228 |
| Bicycle Theft | 4 |
| Burglary | 25 |
| Robbery | 1 |
| Shoplifting | 42 |
| Theft from Person | 4 |
| Other Theft | 38 |
| Criminal damage and Arson | 88 |
| Drugs | 15 |
| Possession of Weapons | 6 |
| Public Order | 29 |
| Vehicle crime | 25 |
| Violent & Sexual Offences | 260 |
| Other Crime | 15 |
| TOTAL | 780 |

List of sitting Councillors

Councillor June Anderson 37 Rose Hill, St Blazey,

Cornwall PL24 2LQ

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Councillor Ryan Chamberlain 46 Manor view, Par,

Cornwall PL24 2EN

07817876988

Councillor Tamsin Chapman 22 Station Road, St Blazey

Cornwall PL24 2ND

07759112466

Councillor Steven Ford 52 Treryn Close, St Blazey,

Cornwall PL24 2LL

07912623559

Councillor Jenny Moore 1 Meadow Drive, St Blazey,

PL24 2HL 816849

Councillor Tony Nethercott 30 Station road, St Blazey

PL24 2ND 814282

Councillor Amy Pearce 8 Doubletrees, St Blazey

St Blazey, PL24 2LE

07966432473

Councillor Kelvin Simms 17 Pembroke Close, Par,

PL24 2BT **07910 888156**

Councillor Jenny Taylor 40 Chyandor Close, St

Blazey, PL24 2LP

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Councillor Roy Taylor Palm Garden House,

Tywardreath Highway, Par

PL24 2RW **816112**

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